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SUBJECT: ILO - CHAIRMANSHIP OF GOVERNING BODY 1973-74

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THROUGH THE WASHINGTON-BASED SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ILO DIRECTOR GENERAL, AND HAS RECEIVED CONFIRMATION FROM THE WORKER VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE ILO GOVERNING BODY (GB) THAT THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HAS NAMED UNDER SECRETARY OF LABOR HECTOR FRANCISCO VILLAVEIRAN AS ITS GB REPRESENTATIVE AND HAS PUT FORTH HIS NAME AS A CANDIDATE FOR GB CHAIRMANSHIP FOR THE JULY 1973- JUNE 1974 TERM.

2. IN VIEW OF THREAT THAT A COMMUNIST COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE LIKELY TO RUN FOR THIS OFFICE ALSO, AND WOULD HAVE GOOD CHANCE OF SUCCESS IF NO OTHER CANDIDATE WERE IN THE FIELD, ALL INFORMATION REGARDING VILLAVEIRAN CANDIDACY IS OF URGENT INTEREST. ELECTION OF A COMMUNIST COUNTRY
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REPRESENTATIVE TO THIS OFFICE WOULD HAVE SERIOUSLY DAMAGING CONSEQUENCES TO US- ILO RELATIONSHIPS. (BULGARIA, POLAND, AND USSR ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CHAIRMANSHIP FOR COMING YEAR.)

3. ALTHOUGH FORMAL ELECTION BY GB WILL NOT BE HELD UNTIL JUNE 29, EE GOVERNMENTS LIKELY SEEK INFORMAL AGREEMENT AMONG MAJORITY OF THE GOVERNMENT MEMBERS OF GB, BEFORE NEXT

GB SESSIEY ARE NOT AS EFFICIENT WHERE GASES

ARE CONCERNED. APPARENTLY, SOME OF THE SULPHUR DIOXIDE AND OZONE MAY BE REMOVED BY THEM BUT NONE OF THE CARBON MONOXIDE.

4. DOME UNIT APPEARS TO BE SATISFACTORY FOR BEDROOM USE. IT IS SMALL ENOUGH TO BE EASILY MOVED (WEIGHS APPROXIMATELY 25 POUNDS). A MINIMUM OF MAINTENANCE IS REQUIRED. IT HAS BEEN USED SUCCESSFULLY BY HOSPITALS IN THIS AREA.

5. WE ARE ATTEMPTING REPROGRAM THE NECESSARY ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRED TO PERMIT ORDERING AIR FILTERS. WE EXPECT BE ABLE PLACE ORDER DURING APRIL IN ORDER INSURE DELIVERY ANKARA BEFORE NEXT WINTER SEASON. IN MEANTIME, WOULD LIKE TO HAVE EMBASSY'S CONCURRENCE ORDER THIS MACHINE. EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH HAS BEEN MADE FOR OTHER MACHINES WHICH WOULD PERMIT A CHOICE. HOWEVER, ONLY TWO OR THREE OTHER PORTABLE POSSIBILITIES HAVE BEEN TURNED UP WHICH MIGHT BE SATISFACTORY AND AVAILABLE IN A REASONABLE TIME FRAME. THESE HAVE TURNED OUT TO BE EITHER NOT SUITED FOR YOUR NEEDS (FOR INSTANCE, TOO BIG- DESIGNED FOR EXTREMELY LARGE AREAS OR WHOLE APARTMENTS WITH CIRCULATING AIR SYSTEMS) OR ARE TOO EXPENSIVE (THREE TO FOUR TIMES THE COST PER UNIT). WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO UNCOVER A COMBINATION DEHUMIDIFIER- PURIFIER. HOWEVER, IT DOUBTFUL WE COULD AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE WHICH DEHUMIDIFIER WOULD REQUIRE SINCE THESE ARE NOT REQUIRED ON A MEDICAL BASIS.

6. IF YOU DO NOT FEEL THE DOME LAB UNIT WILL SUFFICE WE
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WILL CONTINUE OUR SEARCH. YOU SHOULD REALIZE, HOWEVER, THAT WE WILL PROBABLY NOT BE ABLE TO UNCOVER A SUITABLE SUBSTITUTE WITHIN TIME FRAME WHICH WOULD ALLOW US TO GET

THEM TO ANKARA BY THE NEXT HEAVY SMOG SEASON (OCTOBER-NOVEMBER, 1973).

7. DEPARTMENT NOTES THAT ANKARA 1508 INCLUDED 102 UNITS FOR U. S. ELEMENT CENTO RESIDENTIAL SPACE AND FIVE FOR CENTO OFFICE SPACE. THESE UNITS ARE RESPONSIBILITY OF CENTO WHICH SHOULD PROCURE THEM FOR THEIR PERSONNEL, OR EXECUTE A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH THE EMBASSY AGREEING TO REIMBURSE THE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR COST.

8. USIA, DIA, AND BNDD CONCUR. ROGERS

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